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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

FRANK-RAINER BOHM ET AL.

APPLICATION NO. 09/913,999

FILED: August 20, 2001

FOR: COATING COMPOSITION FOR METAL CONDUCTORS AND

COATING PROCESS INVOLVING THE

USE THEREOF

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EXAMINER: BISSETT, MELANIE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 30, 2002

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2002. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows and consider the following remarks. The requisite fee for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response.

AMENDMENT

Please enter the following Amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claims 13 and 19 as follows:

Claim 13. (amended) A coating composition for electrical conductors, comprising:

(A) 1-60 wt.% of at least one reactive particle, said reactive particles having an average radius ranging from 1nm to 300nm, wherein said reactive particles are based on an element-oxygen network,